

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A method of electronic document sending comprising:
sending an electronic document from an electronic document sender to
an electronic document receiver having an electronic address; and
5 electronically obtaining the electronic address from an address book
located externally of the electronic document sender.
2. The method of claim 1 wherein the obtaining step further comprises:
disposing the external address book in a mobile computing device.
- 10 3. The method of claim 1 and further comprising:
providing the electronic document sender as at least one of a multi-
function printer, a scanner, and a digital sender.
- 15 4. The method of claim 1 and further comprising:
providing the mobile computing device as at least one of a personal
digital assistant, a mobile phone, and a portable computer.
- 20 5. The method of claim 1 and further comprising:
providing the electronic document receiver as at least one of a facsimile
machine, a multifunction printer, a desktop computer, a mobile phone, a personal
digital assistant, a host server, a portable computer, and a digital sender.
- 25 6. The method of claim 1 and further comprising:
providing the electronic address as at least one of a facsimile number, an
uniform resource locator, a host computer address, an network address, and an
electronic mail address.
- 30 7. A method of document sending comprising:
importing an electronic address of an electronic document receiver from
a mobile computing device into an electronic document sender; and

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13. The electronic document sender of claim 12 wherein the electronic document sender comprises at least one of a multi-function printer, a scanner, a digital sender, and a facsimile machine, each of which incorporate the imaging mechanism, the user interface, and wireless communication module.

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14. The electronic document sender of claim 12 wherein the user interface is configured to request from the mobile computing device a distribution list comprising a plurality of electronic addresses of electronic document receivers and the communication module is configured to obtain the distribution list of electronic addresses and send the electronic document to each electronic address in the distribution list.

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15. An electronic document sending system comprising:
an electronic document receiver having an electronic address;
a mobile computing device having an external address book with the electronic address of the electronic document receiver; and
an electronic document sender configured for sending an electronic document to the electronic address of the electronic document receiver and configured for obtaining the electronic address from the address book of the mobile computing device.

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16. A user interface of an electronic document sender comprising:
a initiation mechanism configured for initiating sending an electronic document to an electronic document receiver at an electronic address; and
a communication module configured for requesting the electronic address of the electronic document receiver from a mobile computing device.

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17. The user interface of claim 16 and further comprising:
an internal address book for storing the electronic address of the electronic document receiver.

18. An address book of an electronic document sender comprising:
an internal storage and retrieval mechanism for maintaining a database of
at least one electronic address of a electronic document receiver; and

5 an external retrieval mechanism configured for optionally obtaining the
at least one electronic address of the electronic document receiver from a mobile
computing device.

19. A mobile computing device comprising:

10 at least one of a portable computer, personal digital assistant, and a
mobile phone, each of which includes:

an address book containing at least one electronic address of an
electronic document receiver; and

15 a wireless communication module for transmitting the at least one
electronic address from the mobile computing device to an electronic document
sender.

20. An electronic document sender comprising:

20 an imaging mechanism configured for creating an electronic document
from a paper document;

a user interface configured to perform the following tasks:

activating the imaging mechanism;

requesting an electronic address of an electronic document
receiver from a mobile computing device; and

25 initiating sending the electronic document to the electronic
document receiver; and

a communication module configured to perform the following tasks:

wirelessly obtaining the electronic address from the mobile
computing device; and

30 sending the electronic document to the electronic address of the
electronic document receiver.

21. A computer-readable medium having computer-executable instructions for performing a method of electronic document sending, the method comprising:

5 sending an electronic document from an electronic document sender to an electronic document receiver having an electronic address; and electronically obtaining the electronic address from an address book located externally of the electronic document sender.

10 22. The method of claim 21 wherein the obtaining step further comprises: disposing the external address book in a mobile computing device.

23. A computer-readable medium having computer-executable instructions for performing a method of document sending, the method comprising:
15 importing an electronic address of an electronic document receiver from a mobile computing device into an electronic document sender; and sending an electronic document from the electronic document sender to the electronic document receiver using the electronic address.

20 24. The method of claim 23 comprising: performing the importing step through wireless communication between the electronic document sender and the mobile computing device.

25 25. The method of claim 23 and further comprising: imaging a paper document with the electronic document sender to produce the electronic document.